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14 April 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR: CIA Career Service Board

SUBJECT: Report of selection panel to review applications  
for Department of Defense Colleges

1. A selection panel, nominated by the CIA Career Service Board, met in the Conference Room of Building [REDACTED], on the morning of 13 April 1954, to consider the applications of candidates for the five senior Department of Defense Colleges, and to recommend those deemed best qualified to the CIA Career Service Board. Members of the Panel were:

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Mr. Matthew Baird, Chairman

25X1A9a

[REDACTED] DD/P

25X1A9a

[REDACTED] OC

Mr. Harrison Reynolds, Personnel

25X1A9a

[REDACTED] DD/I

2. National War College

The panel discussed the applications of twenty-seven candidates and their endorsements, and recommends the following to attend the 1954-55 class:

25X1A9a

[REDACTED] OCI

As alternates, to replace any of the selected candidates who may have to be withdrawn, or to attend should the CIA quota be increased, the panel recommends four men in this order:

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1. [REDACTED]
2. [REDACTED]
3. [REDACTED], FI
4. [REDACTED]

3. Industrial College of the Armed Forces

The panel chose one candidate to fill the Agency's single quota allotment:

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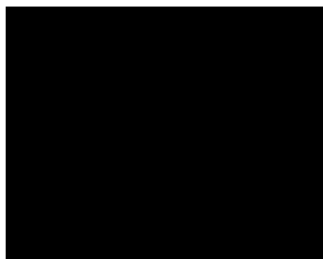
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The applications submitted for the Army, Naval, and Air War Colleges were few in number, and disappointing in caliber. It was noted that few of the National War College candidates had expressed a wish to be considered for one of the Service Colleges as an alternative. Three candidates were regarded as suitable, but it was decided -- since final notification need not be sent to the respective colleges until about June first -- to refer the matter to the CIA Career Service Board and ask for further recommendations to be submitted within two weeks, for this same panel to consider prior to the CSB meeting on 29 April 1954, (or on 6 May 1954). The candidates deemed suitable were:

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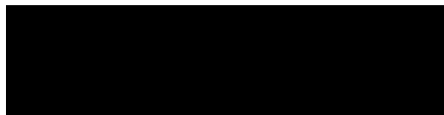


OTR (for either the Air War  
College or the Naval War  
College)

(for the Army War College)

, OTR (for the Air War College)

The Army War College has allotted two slots to CIA this year.



MATTHEW BAIRD  
Chairman

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